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Dear Sir:

Submitted herewith are thirteen (13) sheets of Formal Drawings for completion of this application.

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